#### **DEPARTMENT OF STATE REVENUE**

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# CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE EXCISE TAX FOR TAX PERIODS: 1994

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### ISSUE

## 1. CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE EXCISE TAX: IMPOSITION

**Authority:** IC 6-7-3-5, IC 6-8.1-5-1(b).

Taxpayer protests the assessment of Controlled Substance Excise Tax.

#### STATEMENT OF FACTS

Taxpayer was arrested for possession and delivery of marijuana. The Indiana Department of Revenue issued a record of Jeopardy Finding, Jeopardy Assessment Notice and Demand on July 29, 1994 in a base tax amount of \$65,920.00. Taxpayer filed a protest to the assessment. A hearing on the protest was scheduled for February 8, 2000. Taxpayer was notified of the hearing at her last known address. Taxpayer did not appear for the hearing. Further facts will be provided as necessary.

## **Controlled Substance Excise Tax-Imposition**

## **Discussion**

IC 6-7-3-5 imposes the Controlled Substance Excise Tax on the possession and delivery of marijuana in the State of Indiana. Taxpayer bears the burden of proving that the assessment of tax is incorrect. IC 6-8.1-5-1(b). The arresting officer's report and Indiana State Police Laboratory report indicate that Taxpayer was in possession of marijuana. Since Taxpayer did not appear at the hearing or offer any evidence to contradict the facts of the file, Taxpayer did not sustain its burden of proving that the assessment was incorrect.

## **Finding**

Taxpayer's protest is denied.

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